

Minutes of Prebid Meeting for Tender CIE/RAVG/FIST II/007/2013 (15th Mar 2013)

The following clarifications were given for the queries raised:

- There will be no waiver of EMD. The EMD can be in the form of a bank guarantee.
- The EMD should be placed in a separate cover. The bid for the tender should be submitted in an envelope with the tender name and code written on it. Inside the cover there should be three covers – one with the EMD, another with the technical bid, and a third with the financial offer.
- If a vendor feels that some accessories will be needed for the equipment specified, these can be mentioned in the technical bid, and the prices can be given in the financial bid as optional items.
- Tests will be done with the specified equipment on concrete, polymers, metals, rocks and other engineering materials.
- The smaller capacity (100 kN) load cell will attached (piggy-backed) to the larger load cell, as and when needed. This will be used without the hydraulic grips specified.
- In one of the machines, a T-slotted base is specified. There is no such requirement in the other machine.
- In one of the machines, hydraulic grips are specified. There is no such requirement in the other machine.
- Only one set of compression platens have been specified. They should be dimensioned for full capacity.
- The two machines should be capable of running different configurations of tests even though the intention is to dedicate the first machine for compression/flexure testing and the second machine for tension testing.
- Though the capacities of the two machines are the same, the specifications for actuator performance are different. The dynamic response curves for the actuators should be provided, preferably in the form of maximum displacement versus frequency curves at different loads.
- For the hydraulic power pack, it is intended to purchase a 200 lpm pump and get two expansions of 100 lpm each in the future. The cost for each 100 lpm capacity expansion should be quoted as an optional item.
- The operating system for the software should be Windows 7 or 8 compatible
- The UPS will be needed only for the controller so that data can be stored when power is lost.
- Likely AMC costs can be given as an optional item for a period of five years.
- It is not possible to waive the requirement that the vendor should have installed and commissioned comparable equipment in India. Contact details should be provided for verification and possible inspection.
- It is not possible to extend the deadline for the submission of bids since the equipment is needed as soon as possible. The deadline is 3:30 pm on 25th March 2013.

These clarifications will form part of the tender documents.